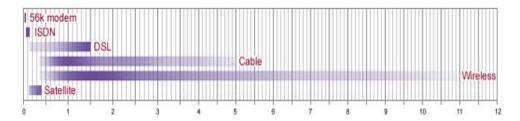
Connection Speed

The chart below shows the relative download speeds of various broadband technologies (the 56k modem is shown for comparison's sake). Some of the technologies show a bar with varying solidity. The more solid areas within the bar indicate the average speeds that are generally available to users.



If you are choosing a broadband service primarily to optimize speed, you may need to make a judgment about "relative speed", that is, how the speed of one broadband service typically compares to another. The chart below gives a good overview of relative broadband speed.

Time it takes to download a 10 Megabyte File		
Speed	Connection Type	Transfer Type
28.8 kbps	Analog modem	2 hours
33.6 kbps	Analog modem	1.5 hours
56 kbps	Analog modem	1 hour
128 kbps	ISDN dual channel	20 minutes
1.5 kbps	T1, DSL, or cable modem	1 minute
4 Mbps	XDSL or cable modem	30 seconds
10 Mbps	DSL	10 seconds

Note: This are estimated approximations and based solely on industry standards.

Kbps = kilobytes per second Mbps = megabytes per second